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DX news

3Y0I Bouvet Isl -update

The 3yøi bouvet island expedition has officially begun. the mv atlantic tuna, with the team aboard, departed for bouvet island on march 19, 2019, at approx. 6:00 utc. If everything goes well, they should reach bouvet in 7 days (around march 26). landing on the island will be strictly dependent on weather conditions upon arrival.

3Y0I blog: https://bouvetoya.org/blog/

Bouvet weather forecast: https://www.yr.no/en/forecast/graph/9-

902593/Norway/Bouvet%20Island/Bouvet-%C3%B8ya

Tracker:

https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/details/ships/shipid:5786633/mmsi:601070100

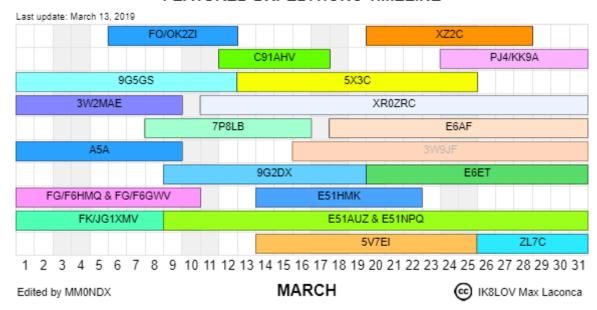
VE3LYC/KL7 Little Diomede Isl –update by Cezar

I blew the second and last set of fuses I had, but with Adrian's (KO8SCA) remote assistance, I was able to fix the amplifier for the time being. Let's home that those power surges won't be that much of a problem, otherwise this is extremely annoying. I sat on 20m for a couple of hours, but didn't make many QSOs. The noise level is S2-3, not stellar, but not that bad. However, I cannot copy any stations anywhere on the bands, except for those calling me. If you copy me, it's not a guarantee that I will be able to copy you! I'm still studying the actual propagation conditions. Got a couple of NA stations in the log, VE3VEE on 30m and VE7QTC on 20m. https://ve3lyc-kl7-na150.weebly.com/



DXCC Timeline

FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE



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This week on HF

3B8, MAURITIUS Nigel, G3TXF is active as 3B8XF until March 24. He operates on HF using CW and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

5R, MAURITANIA Johannes, PA5X is now operating until July as 5T5PA from Nouadhibou. QSL via LoTW, Club Log and QRZ.com. More to follow.

5V, TOGO The EIDX group is after 9N7EI and 7Q7EI operating as 5V7EI until March 26. QRV with 5 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. https://5v7ei.com/

5X, UGANDA The Italian Dxpedition Team is active from Uganda until March 25. They will use two callsigns: **5X3C** for CW, SSB, RTTY and **5X3E** for FT8 from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via I2YSB direct or OQRS. http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/

60, SOMALIA Ali, EP3CQ is once again active as 60100 until March 24. Most QRV using FT8 on 20 meter during his spare time. QSL direct, see QRZ.com.

6W, SENEGAL Giovanni, IK5BSC is operating as 6W/call until April 14. Operation on HF. QSL via IK2DUW, logsearch on Club Log.

6W, SENEGAL Jacques, F6HMJ is QRV as 6W7/call until April 28. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB.

6W, SENEGAL Willy, ON4AVT is once again active as 6W/call from Mbour. Activity until March 30 on 20 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

https://www.on4avt.be/trip_to_senegal.htm

6W, SENEGAL Elvira, IV3FSG is once again active as 6W/call until April 16. QSL via IK3GES, logsearch on Club Log.

8P, BARBADOS Richard, G3RWL is active as 8P6DR until April 17 from 80 to 10 meter using CW and RTTY. OSL via home call, Club Log OORS, LoTW.

A2, BOTSWANA Leon, A25SL is active during his spare time on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 115 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with some FT8. QSL via N4GNR.

A3, TONGA Masa, JAORQV is operating as A35JP until March 27. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via JAORQV.

CEOZ, JUAN FERNANDEZ Members of the Russian Robinson Club Vasily R7AL, Vasily RA1ZZ, Vlad RK8A, Aleksei RL5F, Leo RW9JZ and Marco CE1TBN are operating as XR0ZRC until April 3. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via R7AL, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/xr0zrc

CT3, MADEIRA Rosel DL3KWR and Hardy DL3KWF are operating as CT9/calls until April 3. Operation on HF including 60 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via homecalls, LoTW. http://www.dl3kwr.de/

E5, SOUTH COOK ISL E5, NORTH COOK ISL

Rainer DL1AUZ and Dagmar DM7PQ are active from the Cook Islands as E51AUZ and E51NPQ during March and April 2019.

- Rarotonga (2nd to 11th April, OC-013)
- Aitutaki (27th to 31st March, OC-083)
- Manihiki (until 25th March, OC-014) North Cooks

QRV in 'holiday-style'. QSL via homecalls.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISL Hans-Martin, DK2HM is operating in 'holiday-style' from Rarotonga as E51HMK until March 22. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using mostly SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, LoTW, Club Log OQRS. http://southcook2019.com/ **E6, NIUE** Alex 5B4ALX and Tim NL8F are operating as E6ET until April 2. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. http://www.5b4alx.cloud/e6et-niue-2019/

E6, NIUE Janusz, SP9FIH is active as E6AF for a few weeks. Operation from 160 to 15 meter using SSB and digital. Online log via Club Log, QSL via home call, preferred OQRS Club Log. http://www.e6.dxpeditions.org/

EA8, CANARY ISL Erich, HB9FIH is QRV from El Hierro until end March as EA8/call. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW. **FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Hartwig, DL7BC is once again QRV as FY/DL7BC/P until April 2. Operation in 'holiday-style' with an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31). **HR, HONDURAS** Gerard, F2JD is once again operating as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras until May 15. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU Livio, IZ3BUR is again operating as J52EC. Operation on HF. QSL via home call. Livio is working as missionary so operation is only during his spare time.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will be active as P44W between March 25 and April 1 and again from May 22 until May 27. Main operation during contests but outside that, he will focus on 160, 80, 30, 17 and 12 meter. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM.

PJ2, CURACAO Tom, K7FA is active as PJ2/call until March 23. Focus on 160, 40 and 20 meter using CW. QSL via LoTW, home call.

PJ2, CURACAO Andy, DK5ON is QRV as PJ2/call until March 30. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and digital. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

PJ4, BONAIRE John, KK9A will be QRV as PJ4/call from March 24 until March 31. Operation on HF with an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest as PJ4R. QSL via WD9DZV. **PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Tom, AA9A is once again QRV as PJ7AA until March 30. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

V3, BELIZE Rich, K8NDS will once again be operating as V31RF between March 21 and April 19. Activity on 40, 20 and 17 meter using SSB.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS Look for VP5/W2TT and VP5/AF3K from March 27 until April 1. They will participate in the CQ WPX SSB Contest as VP5P (QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via N2OO). Outside the contest focus on 6 meter using SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL VP5/W2TT and VP5/AF3K via N2OO.

XV, VIETNAM Jean-Pierre, F6CTF is operating as 3W9JF until April 6. Operation on 80, 40, 20 and 17 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via EA5GL, direct.

XZ, MYANMAR Yuki, JH1NBN is once again QRV as XZ2C until March 28. QSL via home call.

XZ, MYANMAR Akio, JE2QIZ has been living in Naypyitaw, Myanmar for the past 2 years. Today, he finally received his license as XZ2B. Note that the XZ2B license is only valid for 150 days (end June) and a maximum of 25w is allowed. Furthermore, this particular license is valid for use between 20-300Mhz.

YJ, VANUATU Chris, VK2YUS will once again be active as YC0CA from March 26 until April 2. QSL via home call.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN Diya, YI1DZ is once again operating as Z81D from Juba. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital. Operation until June. QSL via OM3JW, OQRS.

Coming up soon

3Y, BOUVET ISL An experienced team with Dom 3Z9DX, Stanislaw SP8S, Branko YU4DX, Tack JE1CKA, Mieczyslaw SP3CMX, Marcin SP5ES, Jose CT1IDV and Tedy (logistics) will be operating from Bouvet during the southern hemisphere's summer, to be announced later. The cruise to Bouvet from South Africa will take 12 days, the intention is to stay 2 weeks on the island. More details soon.

8Q, MALDIVES Darek, SP3DX will be operating as 8Q7DM from Lankanfinolhu Island between April 1 and April 7. Operation on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

C5, THE GAMBIA Look for C5DL (DK1BT, DL6SAK, DH7KU, DL7DF, DL7UFR and SP3CYY) between April 1 and April 14. Activity with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL7DF. http://www.dl7df.com/c5/

FM, MARTINIQUE Thomas, F4HPX will be active as FM/call begin April. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using SSB, FT8 and some CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

ISO, SARDINIA A large team of Sardinian hams will be operating as ISOSWW during the CQ WW WPX. QSL via IQONU, LoTW.

V3, BELIZE Victor, WB0TEV will once again be QRV as V31VP from the Maya Hill Lodge between March 28 and April 2. Operation during the CQ WPX SSB contest and outside the contest on 160 and 80 meter FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS and home call, direct or bureau.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISL Chris VK3QB, Luke VK3HJ, Patrick VK2PN and David VK3BDX will be active from April 1 until 14. Focus on low bands, CW and FT8. Also HF activity on SSB. Plans include SOTA activation of Mt Bates and Jacky Jacky. Callsign TBA shortly, along with Club Log, Facebook and QSL details.

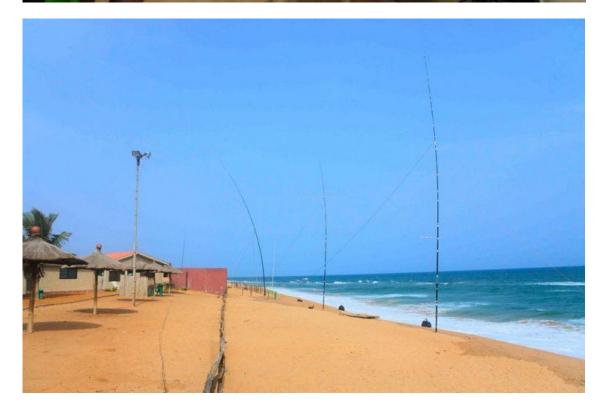
VP9, BERMUDA Brian KG8CO, Frank W8KA, Jim KB8TXZ, Lee N8LJ and Stan AC8W will operate as call/VP9 between March 28 and April 2. QRV on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. They will have a multi-two entry in the CQWPX SSB contest as VP9I. QSL VP9I via LoTW. Outside of contest QSL via operators' instructions for LoTW.

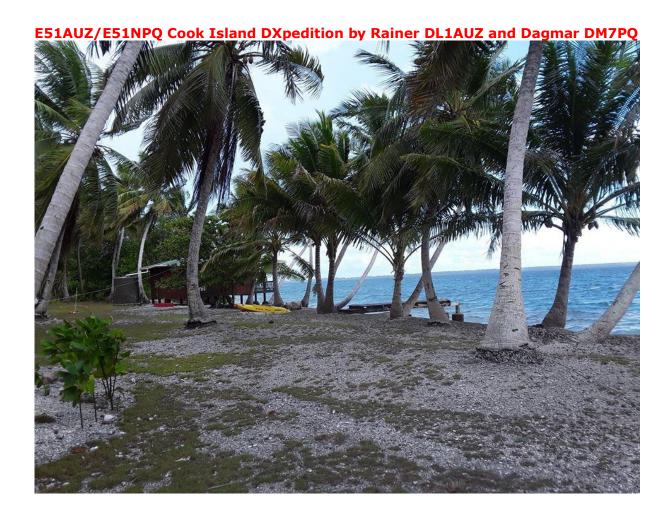
Z6, KOSOVO A joint Turkish-Kosovan activity consisting YOTA (Youth on the Air) operators Z63CAB, Z63DBB, Z63DBM, TA7AOF and TA7AZC. Activity during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31, 2019). QSL via Z62FB.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Look for ZL7C (ZL2AYL and ZL2BGL) from Chatham primarily during the CQ WPX SSB contest (March 30-31). Outside the contest (March 28 – April 2) they will be QRV from 80 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and digital.

On the scene
5V7EI Togo DXpedition by the EIDX Group







<u>IOTA</u> This week on HF

EUROPE

EU-038 Ameland Marcel, PD5MVH is active as call/P until March 30. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

EU-048 Ile de Groix Christian, F5OHH is QRV as call/P until March 23. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. https://headlight44.fr/

NORTH AMERICA

NA-008 Ellesmere Isl Once again, look for VY0ERC until March 29. Operation on 40 and 20 meter with possible 80 meter using CW, SSB and digital. Operation during spare time when time and weather permits. Satellite operation from ER60, EQ79 and close grids is also planned.

NA-150 Little Diomede Isl Cezar, VE3LYC is active as call/KL7 until March 26. This IOTA sits at 11.5% most wanted. https://ve3lyc-kl7-na150.weebly.com/

Canadian Island group tour:

Mike, VE7ACN will be on tour

NA-014 White Head Isl VE7ACN/VE9 April 5-11

NA-081 Bell Isl VE7ACN/VE1 March 22-28

NA-127 Long Isl VA7XW/VE1 March 22- April 4

OCEANIA

OC-042 Luzon Isl Christian, F4EBK is operating as DU3/call until end March. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via F4EBK, direct.

OC-129 Visayan Isl Bill, G0CXF is operating as DU7/call for a stay of 6 months on the Camotes Islands. Operation on 80, 40, 20 and 6 meter using SSB and PSK with a focus on Europe, USA, Australia and Canada.

OC-129 Panay Isl Press, DU6/N6SS is operating until April 17. Main operation on 160, 80 and 40 meter using CW, FT8 and SSB. QSL via home call, direct.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

9G, GHANA Matt, IZ4GYS will again be QRV as 9G5GS from Sanzule starting April 13. OSL via home call.

A3, TONGA Helmut, DD0VR will be active from Tonga as A35JY during September 16-21. This activity is between Helmut's 3D2VR operation. QRV on HF bands using CW and SSB. OSL via home call.

HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN Philippe, EA4NF will be QRV as HBO/call on April 17-19. Activity on FM and SSB satellites. QSL via LoTW.

ISO, SARDINIA Stefan, DL3BY will be active from Bari Sardo between June 5 and June 25. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

VP8, SOUTH ORKNEY After their successful VP6D Ducie Island 2018 DXpedition, the Perseverance DX Group is pleased to announce their intention to activate South Orkney Islands, currently Club Log #16 most wanted.

Planning has begun for an expedition in February/March 2020. A team of experienced DX and Contest operators will operate from Signy Island for up to 15 days. The process of obtaining landing permission is underway. The call sign will be announced at a later date. The team will sail from Punta Arenas, Chile aboard RV Braveheart. Seven operating positions are planned for 160-10 meters, SSB/CW/Digital.

The team includes: Dave K3EL, Les W2LK, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Arliss W7XU, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Mike WA6O, Vadym UT6UD, Walt N6XG and Rob N7QT. https://sorkney.com/

XT, BURKINA FASO Harald, DF2WO will once again be active as XT2AW. Activity between April 10 and April 30. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital.

<u>THE REMINDERS</u>

3B8, MAURITIUS Olof, G0CKV and others will be operating as 3B8MU during the CQWW CW Contest (Nov 23-24). Operation before and after the contest mostly on the low bands between November 18 and November 29. QSL via M0OXO.

3D2, FIJI Heli, DD0VR will be operating as 3D2VR during September 2-9 and again from September 23-27. Operation from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via home call.

3D2, FIJI Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 3D2AS between May 3-5 and again between May 20-22. Focus on Europe, SSB and FT8. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. This activity is before and after the Wallis & Futuna DXpedition.

3D2, ROTUMA The next 3D2AG/P Rotuma DXpedition will likely take place around March / April 2019. Focus will be on the low bands, with QRO when required.

5X, UGANDA The Italian DXpedition Team will be active from Uganda during September/October 2019. Look for them as 5X0T using CW, SSB and RTTY and as 5X0X using FT8. More to follow.

6Y, JAMAICA Kan, JJ2RCJ will be operating as 6Y3Y from St Elizabeth between June 26 and June 28. Focus from 80 to 10 meter FT8 and special focus on JA, Asia.

A3, TONGA Grant VK5GR with Andrew VK5AKH and Oly VK5XDX will be active as A35JT. An entry in the CQWW RTTY and OCDX SSB contest is included. The team is keen for a 4 square on 40/30, beams on 20/10 and verticals for 160/60 meter. Planned dates are September 22 – October 7, 2019. http://vk5gr-iota.net/?p=1288



CY9, SABLE ISL THE CY0 DXpedition team with 7 operators will be active from August 1 until August 11. It is rare on CW and a big effort will be made for this. http://cy9c.com/index.html

E5, NORTH COOK Stan, LZ1GC and Mitko, LZ3NY will be active from Manihiki Atoll, North Cooks as E51GC during October 10-28. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LZ1GC, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISL Doug, W6HB will once again be operating as E51DLD from April 21 until April 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using the shacks of E51AND and E51JD. OSL via home call.

FH, MAYOTTE FR, REUNION

Willi, DJ7RJ will once again be active as FH and FR/call during October 2019. Focus on top band from Mayotte. QSL via home call.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be QRV as FO/KE1B between April 21 and May 3. Activity on 20 meter using FT8. QSL via KE1B, LoTW.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between September 24 and October 8. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, LoTW.

FR, REUNION A team of seven Croatian operators (9A2AA, 9A2NA, 9A3CJW, 9A3EME, 9A3MR, 9A7Y and 9A8RA) will be active as TO19A from Reunion Island (AF-016) from April 27 to May 8. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 with a focus on the low bands. QSL via 9A2AA, logsearch on Club Log.

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Nobby, G0VJG informs DX-World that he has plans to be active from Wallis Island as FW/call between May 6 and May 20. In addition, he hopes side-trips to Futuna and Fiji will also be possible. Focus on Europe, SSB & FT8. Before (3-5 May) and after (20-22 May) the FW operation he will be QRV as 3D2AS from Fiji. QSLs via M0OXO's OQRS.

J8, ST VINCENT Tom, KCOW will be operating as J8CW. Dates not yet known but it will be a dedicated CW operation. More to follow soon.

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will once again be operating during his spare time as J88PI. QRV between May 7 and May 14 from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA Palle OZ1RH and Joe OZ0J will be operating as KH8/calls between April 15 and April 22. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log OQRS. http://kh8.oz0j.dk/

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS Dave, W9DR will be active as PJ5/call from June 25 until July 2. Activity on 6 meter only using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

T30, WEST KIRIBATI Stan, LZ1GC and Mitko, LZ3NY will be active from Tarawa, W. Kiribati as T30GC between October 30 to November 15. QRV on 160-10m, CW/SSB/RTTY. QSL via LZ1GC, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Ken, KH6QJ will once again be active as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge between April 16 and April 23. Operation on 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

TK, CORSICA Marc, ON7SS will be operating as TK/OO9O between May 11 and May 17. QSL via Club Log OQRS or home call, bureau or direct.

TT, CHAD The Italian DXpedition Team is going to Chad. TT8RR for CW, SSB and RTTY, TT8XX for FT8. More to follow.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING Keith GM4YXI and Chris GM3WOJ will once again be active as VK9CZ between November 12 and November 29. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and some FT8.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Chris PA2CHR and Jos PA3FYC will be QRV as VP2EMB in April. This will be primarily an EME DXpedition. More to follow.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISL A large team of 14 operators such as K0IR, EY8MM, N2TU, W0GJ will be operating as VP6R in October 2019. Operation on all bands using all modes. More to follow. https://pitcairndx.com/

XT, BURKINA FASO Max, DK1MAX will be active as XT2MAX from April 17 until April 25. Operation in 'holiday-style' on all bands using all modes. QSL via LoTW.

XV, VIETNAM Look for XV9D between November 16 and December 1 with a focus on the 5 lowest bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via EA5GL.

XV, VIETNAM Jun, JL8AQH will be operating as XV9XX from Hue between April 27 and May 4. Operation on 40, 30; 20 and 17 meter using CW. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

YJ, VANUATU Geoff, ZL3GA will be operating from the Malowia Guest House between July 21 and August 2. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Kan, JJ2RCJ will be QRV as ZF2CJ from Grand Cayman on June 23-25. Operation from the ZF1A shack between 80 and 10 meter using FT8. QSL via JJ2RCJ, LoTW and OQRS.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Frank, K3TRM will be QRV as ZF2RM, dates not known yet. He specifically mentions Cayman Brac, therefore his call may change to ZF9/ZF2RM when operating from there.

ZK3, TOKELAU An international team led by YT1AD and Alex UT5UY is planning a DXpedition to Tokelau as ZK3X, it has a high rating on low bands and EME. Plans are to be on air from October 1 until October 15. Activity on all bands, all modes and EME. More to follow. https://tokelau2019.com/

Announced IOTA

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-053 Moucha

AF-059 Sept Frere

Col MM0NDX, Jonathan MM0OKG and Christian EA3NT will be QRV as J20DX as another IOTA/DXCC project. Plans are still in progress but keep an eye on their website for latest updates. Dates are approx. April 15-21. https://j20dx.com/

AF-118 Los Farallones Isl 5C9A: Last year plans to activate Los Farallones Island, AF-118NEW were announced. A few weeks later it transpired that Navy and Government permission had not been given therefore that particular expedition was postponed. This year a new expedition to AF-118 has been announced with planning behind the scenes ongoing. A team is assembled with CN8QY as leader. Planned dates of activity are July 25-30, 2019. https://sc9a.com/

<u>ASIA</u>

AS-043 Hachijo-jima Kenji, JA4GXS will be operating as call/1 during May 11-13. Activity on 40, 30 and 20 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

AS-063 Popigay-Ary Isl AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev

Eugene UA6EX, Leonid UA7A and Vasily R7AA will be active as R63RRC and RQ73QQ during mid-July. Water trips to and from the islands are about 800 km distance. The team seeks one more operator (who will pay for their plane tickets and some of the other costs). Contact the team at: r7aa@mail.ru. The project is quite expensive due to flights in Upper North. https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/r63rrc/en

R63RRC, Popigay-Ary island, IOTA: AS-063, RRA: NEW ONE, WWloc: OQ32AW, RDA: KK-65, Krasnoyarsk region (R0B).

RQ73QQ, Bol'shoy Begichev island, IOTA: AS-152, RRA: RR-08-04, WWloc: OQ64AM, RDA: YA-10, Republic of Sakha (R0Q).

AS-204 Paramushir Isl RIOFP, more to follow...

EUROPE

EU-064 Noirmoutier Isl Look for TM4IPA (International Police Association) by ON6OM, ON6ZV and ON7EG between June 22 and June 29. Operation along the propagation using SSB and digital modes. https://www.gsl.net/o/on6om/EU-064/

EU-099 Minkies Isl Look for ON5HC, ON7PQ, ON4KZ, ON5DZ and ON8AZ as MJ/OQ7A/P between May 25 and June 1. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. http://www.eu099.be/

EU-112 Shiant Isles Team MS0INT is planning a 3-day activity from Europe's 5th most wanted IOTA. Activity mid-June or end August 2019. More to follow.

EU-192 Kataja Isl A team of 6 Swedish operators will be operating as 8S2K from this new IOTA. QRV in late May or first week of June. Transport to Kataja Island and lodging is confirmed with locals. There will be 4 stations active for 5 days, running full legal power and verticals. Sweden has today maximum 200 watts legal power, BUT permission for 1 KW is requested and will be used if permitted.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-077 Anticosti Isl Mike, VE7ACN will be QRV as VE7ACN/VE2 from August 21 until August 31. QSL via home call.

NA-250 Yakutat County Group, Coastal Groups (new) Mike K9AJ and Bruce KD6WW are making plans to be active from this new IOTA reference approx May 10-13. More to follow.

OCEANIA

OC-183 Favorite Isl

OC-211 Houtman Abrolhos

Andy VK6MAV and Vlad ER1OO will be active from both islands between April 15 and April 25. Plans are still ongoing to be active for 4 days from each island. QSL via RN3RQ, Club Log OQRS. More on http://vk5mav.wixsite.com/dxpedition/next-expedition

OC-207 Cagayan Isl Ed 4F1OZ and Gil 4F2KWT will be active as DX1CC on April 12-15. Operation on 30, 20 and 17 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via EA5GL.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

PY, BRAZIL Look for ZV1FF, operated by PY1AX and PS8RV until April 4. Operation from many sites at the National Park of Tijuca, also from the Christ Redeemer (part of the seven World Wonders). Activity from 160 to 10 meter with 3 stations. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

DL, GERMANY DM19LGS marks the 8th State Horticultural Show in Frankenberg/Saxony <u>during 2019</u> on HF and 2m/70cm with the special DOK 19LGS. QSL via bureau or via DG0ERS direct.

DL, GERMANY The German award hunters group DIG celebrates its 50th anniversary as **DR50DIG** (DIG #6477, DOK DIG). QRV <u>until end 2019</u>. QSL via bureau or direct via DH1PAL.

- **DL, GERMANY** The special event station **DQ600UNI** celebrates the 600th anniversary of Rostock University during 2019; special DOK 600UNI <u>until July</u> and <u>September until December</u>; <u>during August</u> the station's special DOK will be HSR19 (Hanse-Sail 2019). QSL via bureau and DL5KVV (d).
- **DL, GERMANY** Special station **DR19RGD** (DOK 19RG) is operating <u>until July 31</u>, this to mark the 19th Ruhr Games in Duisburg. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY DM775FLD** celebrates the founding of the town Friedland 775 years ago <u>during 2019</u>. QSL via bureau.
- **DL, GERMANY DL19RIC** operates in the context of the Rotary International Convention 2019 in Hamburg. QRV <u>until June 5</u>. QSL via Club Log OQRS.
- **DL, GERMANY** The special event calls **DM70GER** and **DL70BRD** celebrate Germany's Septuagennial Jubilee <u>throughout the year</u>. An award will be available as well. QSL for DM70GER via M0SDV direct or Club Log OQRS, DL70BRD via DK1YH direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS.
- **DL, GERMANY** Special stations **DF13DEJU**, **DF13BLN**, **DF13BUD**, **DF13MUC**, **DF13PAR** and **DF13STO** are QRV <u>until end June</u>. This to mark the 100th anniversary if the maiden flight of the Junkers F 13, the mother of all commercial aircrafts.
- **EA, SPAIN EE100V** is celebrating the centennial anniversary of the Valencia Club <u>until</u> <u>end March.</u> QSL via EA5YJ, direct or LoTW.
- **F, FRANCE** Special call **TM5CQ** is used in several contests <u>until June 16</u> in memory of Rafik Dandji, F5CQ (SK April 2018). Activity on HF during legs of the "Coupe du REF" (the French HF Championship), as well as during the CQ WPX SSB (<u>30-31 March</u>) contests. QSL via F4FRG.
- **G, ENGLAND** Celebrating the centenary of the Royal Air Force, **GB100RAF** will be in use from various regions in England. QRV until end March. QSL via G8FC, direct. http://www.rafars.org/raf100
- **HB, SWITZERLAND** <u>During 2019</u> are the Swiss Amateur Stations allowed to use the prefix **HB90** instead of HB9 and **HB30** instead of HB3. This to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen Amateure.
- **HP, PANAMA** Victor, HP1AVS and others are active as **H31A** <u>until August 15</u>. This to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the founding of Panama La Vieja. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via HP1AS or LoTW.
- **HS, THAILAND** Look for **HS55RAST** <u>until March 31</u>. This to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand. QSL via HS5NMF.
- **I, ITALY IIOAGV** honours the Italian engineer Andrea Giuseppe Viterbo. Operation until April 30. QSL via IOKQB.
- **I, ITALY** ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour twelve "Italian pioneers in radio engineering":

II4MRC (Guglielmo Marconi) in March

II4SLR (Luigi Solari) in April

II4TSB (Alessandro Tosi & Ettore Bellini) in May

II4ART (Alessandro Artom) in June

II4MJR (Quirino Majorana) in July

II4BRD (Cesare Bardeloni) in August

II4GRM (Gruppo Radiotecnico Milanese) in September

II4MNU (Ernesto Montu') in October

II4VAL (Giancarlo Vallauri) in November

II4TIB (Ugo Tiberio) in December.

See http://www.arifidenza.it/ for complete information on the award. QSL via IQ4FE, bureau or direct.

I, ITALY The ARI Fidenza Club (IQ4FE) plans to honour Italian radio pioneers <u>during</u> 2019. In January, **II4CAL** points to Temistocle Calzecchi-Onesti. QSL via IQ4FE. http://www.arifidenza.it/

JA, JAPAN The special calls **8J0M**, **8J2M** and **8J9M** are marking the 30th General Assembly of the Japan Medical Congress in Chubu. QRV <u>until end April</u> on HF. QSL via bureau or JP7FSO direct.

LZ, BULGARIA Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour as many different Orthodox saints:
LZ818PT (March), LZ117ML (April), LZ497OM (May), LZ815NI (June), LZ1809PNS

(July), **LZ304AE** (August), **LZ304EW** (September), **LZ311HI** (October), **LZ365BM** (November) and **LZ4408SPA** (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2019" award can be found at http://www.lz1kcp.com/

OH, FINLAND The Finnish section of the International Police Association celebrates its 60th anniversary with the call **OG60IPA** throughout 2019. QSL via OH4MDY.

PY, BRAZIL Special call **ZW85LABRE** is active <u>until March 31</u> to celebrate the 85th anniversary of the Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao (LABRE). Brazil's IARU member society was founded on 2 February 1934.

SM, SWEDEN Celebrating its 50th anniversary, Sweden's National Society for the Active Visually Impaired (SK5CG) will be active as **SF50CG** throughout 2019. QSL via SM0BYD. **TA, TURKEY** GITRAD Giresun Telsiz Radyo Amatorleri ve Doga Sporlari Dernegi is celebrating its 10th anniversary with the special call **TC10GITRAD**. It will be on the air until 31 December 2019, The log will be uploaded to eqsl and LoTW regularly. For any miscoppied callsign, please send an e-mail to TA7AZC (qrz.com recorded). No cards are required at this end and if you need a hardcopy qsl card please send it direct to TA7AZC (SASE+3GS)

VU, INDIA AU60BARC is the special call by the Bangalore ARC, India's oldest club. This to celebrate its 60th anniversary. QRV <u>until May 13</u>. QSL via Club Log OQRS.